

General Assembly

Committee Bill No. 157

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Referred to Committee on Planning and Development

Introduced by: (PD)

AN ACT CLARIFYING VOTER ELIGIBILITY FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICTS AND AUTHORIZING SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICTS TO BE ESTABLISHED TO PROVIDE FERRY SERVICE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Section 7-325 of the general statutes is amended by adding subsection (e) as follows (*Effective from passage*):
- 3 (NEW) (e) For purposes of this section, a voter is considered to
- 4 reside within the specified limits of a proposed district if such voter is
- 5 a holder of record of a taxable interest of property that is (1) located
- 6 within such specified limits, and (2) assessed for taxes in the amount of
- 7 at least one thousand dollars. If such holder of record is a corporation,
- 8 partnership, unincorporated association, trustee, fiduciary, guardian,
- 9 conservator or other form of entity, or any combination thereof, such
- 10 holder shall have its vote cast by its chief executive officer or such
- 11 officer's designee.
- Sec. 2. Section 7-326 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 13 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

At such meeting, the voters may establish a district for any or all of the following purposes: To extinguish fires, to light streets, to plant and care for shade and ornamental trees, to construct and maintain roads, sidewalks, crosswalks, drains and sewers, to appoint and employ watchmen or police officers, to acquire, construct, maintain and regulate the use of recreational facilities, to plan, lay out, acquire, construct, reconstruct, repair, maintain, supervise and manage a flood or erosion control system, to plan, lay out, acquire, construct, maintain, operate and regulate the use of a community water system, to collect garbage, ashes and all other refuse matter in any portion of such district and provide for the disposal of such matter, to implement tick control measures, to install highway sound barriers, to maintain water quality in lakes that are located solely in one town in this state, to establish a zoning commission and a zoning board of appeals or a planning commission, or both, by adoption of chapter 124 or chapter 126, excluding section 8-29, or both chapters, as the case may be, which commissions or board shall be dissolved upon adoption by the town of subdivision or zoning regulations by the town planning or zoning commission, [and] to adopt building regulations, which regulations shall be superseded upon adoption by the town of building regulations, and to provide ferry service. Any district may contract with a town, city, borough or other district for carrying out any of the purposes for which such district was established.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following		
sections:		
Section 1	from passage	7-325
Sec. 2	from passage	7-326

Statement of Purpose:

To clarify which property owners may vote to establish a special taxing district, and to allow a special taxing district to be established to provide ferry service.

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[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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